(e) if so, the details of the scheme and target fixed?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) It is very difficult to arrive at an estimate about the number of illegal migrants from Bangladesh staying in the country because such migrants enter into India surreptitiously and mix with the local population due to their ethnic and lingual similarities.

(b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) A series of measures have been taken by the Government to curb the problem of infiltration of Bangladeshi nationals into India. These measures include raising of additional battalions of Border Security Force, reduction of gaps between the border outposts, intensification of patrolling both on the land and the riverine border, accelerated programme of construction of border roads and fencing, increase in the number of outpost towers, provision of surveillance equipments etc. The matter has also been taken up with the Government of Bangladesh on various occasions. The progress of these measures is reviewed regularly at various levels.

(d) and (e) The matter is under active consideration.

Nefarious activities in Quasi-religious Madarsas

763. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item in the Hindustan Times, dated the 16th May, 1998 in which it is stated that during the past few years there has been sharp rise in the number of quasi-religious "Madarsas" near Indo-Pak border in Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take with the cooperation of the State Government to curb nefarious activities of these Madarsas keeping in view the anti-national type of education being imparted by these Madarsas?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A close watch is being kept on any undesirable activity or receipt of foreign contributions by such institutions, especially in border areas. However, main thrust of the Government is to bring the students of the Madarsas into the educational mainstream by making available the study of modern subjects in the Madarsas. Financial assistance for this purpose is also being given to Madarsas through the State Governments, after checking their antecedents.

Crimes in Trains

764. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of crimes in trains and sabotage have increased since the past few months;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have formulated any strategy to check crimes and cases of sabotage on railways; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) Available information relating to the period January 1997 to February 1998 is given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below)

(c) and (d) The registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crimes in the trains is the responsibility of the Government Railway Police, which functions under the control of the respective State Government/ UT Administration. It is, therefore, essentially for them to take such measures as are necessary to curb crime on railways and prevent incidents of sabotage. The Ministry of Railways has also suggested to the State Governments a plan of action which, inter alia, includes identification of crime prone sections of railways and gearing up security thereof and improvement of communication facilities.

Statement

Incidence of Dacoity, Robbery and Burglary in trains during the period January 1997 to February 1998

Period	Dacoity	Robbery	Burglary
1997			
January	21	16	0
February	15	18	3
March	12	29	8
April	6	31	13
May	5	31	1
June	9	19	3
July	9	18	8
August	9	16	4
September	13	23	2
October	11	16	0
November	11	15	4
December	8	29	10
1998			
January	5	15	2
February	7	6	2

SOURCE : Monthly Crime Statistics.
NOTE : Figures are provisional.

Terrorism in States

765. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of separatists/terrorists/extremists attacks reported in Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, North-Eastern region during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the estimated loss of lives, properties etc. by the attacks; and

(c) the Central assistance/grants given to the States?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) The number of attacks by separatists/terrorists/extremists during the period 1995 to 1997 state-wise is as under:

State	1995	1996	1997
J&K	5390	4348	2972
Punjab	122	99	36
Maghalaya	8	7	9
Tripura	590	391	303
Nagaland	246	261	380
Mizoram	0	0	1
Manipur	422	359	415
Assam	224	396	427
Arunachal Pradesh	15	11	27

(b) The number of civilians and security forces personnel killed during the period is indicated below:

State	Civilans	SF Personnel
J&K	3305	605
Punjab	56	2
Maghalaya	11	4
Tripura	554	115
Nagaland	316	111
Mizoram	0	4
Manipur	533	240
Assam	758	244
Arunachal Pradesh	8	7

While details of property destroyed in respect of other states are not available, in J&K 2853 houses, 23 bridges, 630 shopes, 198 Government buildings and 215 educational institutions were burnt/damaged by militants.

(c) Compensation in such cases is disbursed by the State Government's concerned. However, as per information provided by the Ministry of Finance, figures of Central assistance/grants given by Government of India to the States is enclosed in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix-184, Annexure No. 23]

Pre-paid Taxi/TSR Scheme

766. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the pre-paid taxis and TSR scheme at New Delhi Railway Station has become a source of harassment for the passengers coming from outside;

(b) whether it is a fact that wherever the police are entrusted to manage anything, it becomes the den of corruption or harassment of people; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) The pre-paid scheme for taxis and TSRs at New Delhi Railway Station is an option available to help the passengers coming from outside the hiring taxis/TSRs without having to negotiate/bargain with the drivers. The Traffic Unit of Delhi Police keeps a close watch on the police